

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC REGULAR MEETING OF THE PLEASANT DALE PARK DISTRICT
WEDNESDAY, MAY 8, 2024– 6:00 PM
WALKER PARK RECREATION CENTER
7425 SOUTH WOLF ROAD, BURR RIDGE, ILLINOIS

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Call to Order/Roll Call: Present: Commissioners: Patrick Gierut, Jennifer Hennessy, David Gallagher, and Thomas Raschka. Absent: Todd Davis

Also present: Executive Director Matt Russian & Attorney Joseph Cainkar

3. Election of Officers: President, Vice President, Secretary/Treasurer

NOMINATION FOR PRESIDENT:

MOTION

Mr. Gierut nominated Mr. Todd Davis for President. Mr. Davis accepted the nomination. Nomination seconded by Mr. Raschka. All Ayes. Motion passed.

NOMINATION FOR VICE-PRESIDENT:

MOTION

Mr. Davis nominated Mr. Patrick Gierut for Vice-President. Mr. Gierut accepted the nomination. Nomination seconded by Ms. Hennessy. All Ayes. Motion passed.

NOMINATION FOR SECRETARY/TREASURER:

MOTION

Mr. Davis nominated Ms. Hennessy for Secretary/Treasurer. Ms. Hennessy accepted the nomination. Nomination seconded by Mr. Gierut. All Ayes. Motion passed.

4. Consent Agenda items a & b. Monthly Business **(Items a - c on the consent agenda will be approved with one motion; Board Members with questions should call Matt prior to the meeting.)**

a. Minutes of the April 10, 2024 meeting

b. Minutes of the April 10, 2024 Executive Session

c. Financial Statements presented to the Board of Park Commissioners for May, 2024 in the amount of \$342,438.91 for accounts payable and \$94,983.32 for employee payroll.

MOTION

Ms. Hennessy made a motion to approve items a, b & c. Seconded by Mr. Gierut. All Ayes. Motion passed.

5. Open Forum (Limited to 15 minutes, 5 minutes per speaker)

6. Old Business

6A - Update on potential sale of LTHS Willow Springs property – Nothing to report

6B - Board Action on 2024 Flagg Creek Golf Course rates

Mr. Patrick Jeter appeared and stated some of the reasons for the request for a rate increase at Flagg Creek Golf Course. There was a discussion regarding the rate increase during weekdays and weekends, resident rates, non-resident rates, senior rates, junior rates, cart rental rates, and comparable rates with surrounding golf courses. The Board suggested when an increase is requested in the future, that someone from the Flagg Creek Board attend the Park District meeting to discuss this issue.

MOTION

Mr. Gallagher made a motion to approve the Board Action on 2024 Flagg Creek Golf Course Rates. Seconded by Ms. Hennessy.

Roll Call:

Mr. Davis - Aye
Ms. Hennessy - Aye
Mr. Gallagher - Aye
Mr. Raschka - Aye
Mr. Gierut - Nay

Motion passed

7. New Business

7A - Public Hearing on the Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Fiscal Year 2025 beginning on May 1, 2024 and ending on April 30, 2025

Attorney Joseph Cainkar opened the public hearing. Notice of the public hearing was published in the newspaper and posted in accordance with Illinois law. There were no comments from the audience regarding the budget appropriation. There were no questions from the Commissioners.

Mr. Davis commented that the budget was very well prepared.

Mr. Joseph Cainkar closed the public hearing.

7B - Board action on Ordinance 2024-2: Providing for Budget and Appropriation for Fiscal Year 2025

MOTION

Mr. Gallagher made a motion to approve Ordinance 2024-2: Providing for Budget and Appropriation for Fiscal Year 2025. Seconded by Ms. Hennessy. All Ayes. Motion passed.

7C - Board action on Proposed Survey and Title Work from DLZ for \$28,900 for Maintenance Building Project

Mr. Russian explained that this amount includes a slight increase due to a larger area surveyed to include a potential new recreational center near the south end of the property.

MOTION

Mr. Gierut made a motion to approve the Proposed Survey and Title Work from DLZ for \$28,900 for Maintenance Building Project. Seconded by Ms. Hennessy. All Ayes. Motion passed.

7D - Board action to Award Santa Fe Playground Project to George's Landscaping, Inc. in the amount of \$197,200.25

MOTION

Mr. Gallagher made a motion to approve the award to Santa Fe Playground Project to George's Landscaping, Inc. in the amount of \$197,200.75. Seconded by Mr. Davis. All Ayes. Motion passed.

7E - Board action on purchase of playground equipment for Santa Fe Playground from Play Illinois in the amount of \$86,471.30

MOTION

Mr. Gallagher made a motion to approve the purchase of playground equipment for Santa Fe Playground from Play Illinois in the amount of \$86,471.30. Seconded by Mr. Gierut. All Ayes. Motion passed.

7F - Board action on payment to Copenhaver Construction for \$40,000 towards Walker Park Creek and Culvert Project

MOTION

Mr. Raschka made a motion to approve payment to Copenhaver Construction for \$40,000 towards Walker Park Creek and Culvert Project. Seconded by Ms. Hennessy. All Ayes. Motion passed.

7G - Board action on purchase of maintenance equipment (Rough Mower and two Haulers) for Flagg Creek Golf Course from TurfWerks in the amount of \$56,370

Mr. Jeter explained the need to replace outdated equipment at Flagg Creek Golf Course.

MOTION

Mr. Gallagher made a motion to approve the purchase of maintenance equipment (Rough Mower and two Haulers) for Flagg Creek Golf Course from TurfWerks in the amount of \$56,370. Seconded by Mr. Gierut. All Ayes. Motion passed.

7H - Board action to ratify emergency purchase order for well restoration at Flagg Creek Golf Course from Water Well Investments LLC in the amount of \$13,050

Mr. Jeter explained that the well dried up and is not pumping out water. It may have to be replaced or have some restoration work done.

MOTION

Mr. Raschka made a motion to approve to ratify emergency purchase order for well restoration at Flagg Creek Golf Course from Water Well Investments LLC in the amount of \$13,050. Seconded by Mr. Davis. All Ayes. Motion passed.

7I - Board action on FY2025 meeting schedule

MOTION

Mr. Gallagher made a motion to approve the FY2025 meeting schedule. Seconded by Ms. Hennessy. All Ayes. Motion passed.

8. Flagg Creek Golf Course Report

Mr. Gallagher mentioned that the golf course looks great. Mr. Jeter mentioned that the beverage cart should be delivered sometime in June.

9. Pleasant Dale Parks District Foundation Report

Mr. Russian reported that Melissa could not attend the meeting but sent an email: A bingo lunch was hosted today for seniors. It was a huge success, and they have doubled the numbers since the Mother's Day brunch. They have added a few more to the regular bingo dates. Everyone enjoyed the food which was donated by Del Ray Chicken. Prizes donated by the Foundation Flowers donated by Home Depot. Hoping to continue this in the future. The goal this year is to expand the outreach in the community and help bring more of these experiences to everyone. Sponsoring the band for the concert we are doing later this year. Sponsoring bingo lunches, paying for a kid activity, possibly an ice cream truck, is what we are planning to do.

Friday, June 14th, Carriage Greens Country Club in Darien is the annual golf event. Please help us spread the word and get your foursomes. If anyone has leads on sponsorships or any type of raffle or prizes, please let them know. The goal this year is to make the golf outing more enjoyable for the golfers. Trying to secure a taco truck. Working on an outdoor space for afterwards and hoping to get more raffles put together. Your assistance means a lot.

10. Staff Reports

a. (Staff reports are provided as information only)

The Board complimented the staff reports.

11. Additional Item

Mr. Russian mentioned that the concert that Laurie is putting together is a concert in the park and it's in coordination with the Touch-A-Truck event, June 12, 2024, which also the same date as the next Board meeting.

12. Board Member Comments

13. Executive Session – As needed

14. Adjournment

MOTION

Mr. Gallagher made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Ms. Hennessy. All Ayes. Motion passed.

(Whereupon the Regular meeting ended at 6:35 pm)

Reported by Carmella Traverso

